

CURRENT CULLINGS IN MISSISSIPPI.

Lee County to Sell Bonds to Reclaim Swamp Lands.

IMMENSE TARPONS CAUGHT

Trouble Brewing Between Oyster and Shrimp Fishermen and the Packers—Agreement Between Candidates Condemned at Natchez.

During the summer the oystermen and men engaged in taking shrimp have organized a strong union known as the Oystermen's Protective Association. The Biloxi branch of the organization has a membership of 325. As the fall shrimping season approaches it becomes evident that there will be some friction between the association and the packers. The oystermen will insist on a "sealed" or "stamped" measure to be used in buying shrimp and oysters, different from the measure that has heretofore been in vogue. The old "half-barrel" that has been in use since the canneries were established along this coast, is fourteen inches high, nineteen inches in diameter at the bottom and twenty-four inches at the top. This measure will hold about 105 to 110 pounds of shrimp. The new measure which the oystermen insist shall be adopted will contain just 100 pounds. Though the shrimping season has scarcely begun and only one of the Biloxi factories has worked any shrimp this season, it is now evident that there will be a conflict between the association and the packers, not only in regard to the "sealed" measure, but the price to be paid for shrimp and oysters as well. The packers say that they are willing to pay the highest market price, but are unwilling that the association shall dictate what that price shall be, and they are not willing to adopt the sealed measure. At present the oystermen are only insisting on the sealed or stamped measure.

Lee County to Reclaim Lands.

The board of supervisors of Lee county have decided to sell a series of ten-year 5 per cent bonds, aggregating \$3500. These bonds are authorized by a recent act of the legislature providing that communities or districts possessing overflowed or swamp lands may tax themselves for reclaiming such land, and bringing them into cultivation. In the Lee county case the district is known as the "Upper Chippewa Swamp Land District," embracing large areas of the most fertile lands, but entirely beyond reclamation by private means. The denominations of the bonds range from \$275 to \$411, ten in number, one of which is payable each year from date of issue.

Jill Shot by Bonner.

William J. Bonner, a defeated candidate for representative for Jones county shot and seriously wounded Henry Gill at Sandersville a few nights ago. Gill and Bonner had been warm friends, but recently a difficulty arose between them, and the shooting took place in a store, and but one shot was effective, that entering Gill's thigh and breaking the bone. Bonner is at liberty on a \$500 bond.

Bought Stolen Timber.

A boom of hewn timbers valued at \$400 was rafted to Biloxi last week by four men and sold to Taltval's shipyard. Soon after an attorney from Scranton came to Biloxi and identified the timbers as the property of a Mobile firm, and the shipbuilders had to pay it for a second time. The logs had been stolen, it is alleged, from Horn island. The men who took them have not yet been caught.

Three 76-Pound Tarpon Landed.

Three immense tarpon were caught at Pass Christian in one day by a party of visiting and local anglers on the Queen of the fleet. The largest was caught by Mr. J. E. Hanson and weighed seventy-six pounds. Captain J. T. McDonald landed one almost as large, as did also Johnnie McDonald. Besides the tarpons caught many were hooked, and all in the party enjoyed the exciting sport of playing the monsters on the reel.

To Organize Fair Association.

Enthusiastic citizens of Jones county are at work to organize a county fair organization, and several thousand dollars of stock has been subscribed, the intention being to capitalize the company at about \$10,000. A site for the fair ground has been selected about midway between Ellisville and Laurel, and should the project prove a success, annual fairs will be held.

Candidate Will Not Contest.

The two highest candidates for the senate in Lafayette will run over in a second primary for the nomination, without waiting for an official opinion on the question submitted to the attorney general. It will be recalled that it was stated several days ago that Mr. Hightower, the plurality candidate, was claiming the nomination on the ground that Lafayette county was a senatorial district all by itself and under the terms of the primary law, his plurality in the county gave him the electoral vote of the district, which just happens to be that of the county, thus nominating him. It now develops that Mr. Hightower does not intend to press this contention, but will run in the second primary with the next man on the ticket.

Fire at Meridian.

The warehouse of the Standard Oil Company at Meridian with about one hundred and fifty barrels of oil and axle grease has been destroyed by fire. Owing to the creditable work of the department the large tanks in the rear of the warehouse were saved. The aggregate loss will possibly amount to something near five thousand dollars.

Evans Pryor Killed in St. Louis.

Intelligence received from St. Louis is to the effect that Evans Pryor, a young man of West Point had met instant death there, through falling down an elevator shaft. Young Pryor was a member of a prominent and estimable family. He was a nephew of ex-Congressman Fox.

Mass Meeting Condemns Agreement.

A mass meeting of democrats was held at Natchez to condemn the arrangement made by two candidates for sheriff, who are to go in the second primary election. Under the agreement, it is alleged, the loser is to be appointed deputy.

Boy Dies from Injuries.

While swinging to a switch engine in the railroad yards at Meridian Mack Higginbotham, a lad of nine years, fell under the wheels of the locomotive and was so badly mangled that amputation of his legs was necessary. He died.

Farmers' Institute to be Held.

Prof. J. C. Hardy, president of the Mississippi Agricultural College will hold a farmers' institute at Wesson, Aug. 21, at which matters pertaining to tracking and farming interests generally will be discussed.

More Water for Hattiesburg.

Contractor Doyle struck a good flow of water at a depth of 300 feet at Hattiesburg in the 3-inch artesian well he is boring for the city. This is the third well for the city, all fine flows.

Copiah's New Jail.

The board of supervisors of Copiah county have accepted from the contractors the handsome new jail building, which has been recently completed at the cost of \$12,000.

Islanders Face Starvation.

Kingston, Jamaica. — There are heart rending scenes all over the eastern and northern portions of the islands of Jamaica. At Port Antonio thousands of homeless and starving people have sought shelter in the island prison and the few other buildings which survive the hurricane. Those who could not be thus accommodated are cowering in the lee of ruined walls and dismantled piazzas. The railroad sheds and waiting rooms are filled with women and children. The merchants of the place are feeding the hungry to the best of their ability, but the majority are peeping upon green, unripe bananas knocked down by the storm.

Halim Put to Death.

Constantinople. — A court-martial held at Monastir condemned gendarme, Halim to death for the murder of M. Rostkowski, the Russian consul at Monastir. The sentence was immediately carried out. Another gendarme was sentenced to fifteen years penal servitude.

Many Dead and Injured.

Washington. — The state department has received the following cablegram from Kingston, Jamaica, signed American consul: Port Antonio greatly damaged by hurricane. Many dead and seriously injured are constantly reported to the consulate.

The Humbert Trial.

Paris. — Madame Therese Humbert has continued her declamatory statement in the Humbert trial, the judge having difficulty in restraining her. When she charged one of the witnesses, the money lender, Cattani, with being a robber and an usurer she declared she expected to leave the court room with a high head and fully vindicated.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM JACKSON.

State Democratic Executive Committee Announces

RESULTS OF FIRST PRIMARY.

Killing of Candidate for Circuit Clerk Gives Rise to a Question to be Decided by the Attorney General—Hon. Jeff Truly Appointed Supreme Court Judge.

Jackson. — The State Democratic Executive Committee has finished its labor and adjourned until Thursday, Sept. 8, unless sooner convened by the chairman, S. L. McLaurin offered the following resolution which was adopted: "Resolved, That in the primary election held on Aug. 6, the following named officers were nominated: United States senator, term beginning March 4, 1907, A. J. McLaurin; United States senator, term beginning March 4, 1905, H. D. Money; lieutenant governor, J. P. Carter; secretary of state, Joseph Power; attorney general, William Williams; auditor of public accounts, T. M. Henry; state treasurer, W. J. Miller; clerk of the supreme court, E. W. Brown; insurance commissioner, W. Q. Cole, state revenue agent, Wirt Adams; land commissioner, E. H. Hall; state superintendent of education, H. L. Whitfield; railroad commissioner, for third district, J. C. Kincannon. And that the following named candidates shall run in the second primary to be held on the 27th day of August, 1903 for the following named offices: For governor, F. A. Critz and Jas. K. Vardaman; railroad commissioner, first district, R. L. Bradley and John D. McInnis; railroad commissioner in second district, S. D. McNair and F. M. Sheppard." Messrs. McLaurin, Potter and Weill were appointed to prepare the form of ballot to be used on the 27th. The following is the form adopted for the second primary, placing the candidates upon the ticket in the same order as in the first primary.

For governor.—F. A. Critz and J. K. Vardaman.

For railroad commissioner, first district—J. D. McInnis and R. L. Bradley.

For railroad commissioner, second district—S. D. McNair and F. M. Sheppard.

The appointment has been announced of Hon. Jeff Truly of Fayette, as judge of the supreme court of Mississippi, vice J. H. Price, resigned. The incoming and outgoing judges are two of the youngest and ablest lawyers in Mississippi. Judge Price was appointed to succeed the lamented Judge Terrall during the illness of that official, and when Judge Terrall died he was commissioned as his successor, a natural and logical thing. Judge Price's practice was so large, however, that he has given up the supreme judgeship to re-engage in it and to meet some engagements incurred before his appointment, which in the first instance was only a temporary one. Judge Truly has been on the circuit bench about six years, having been first appointed by Governor McLaurin and reappointed by Governor Longino. He is one of the ablest and most fearless judges in the state.

Another interesting question relative to the recent election has been submitted to the Attorney General for decision. This time it is from De Soto county. The candidate for chancery clerk in that county receiving the highest number of votes on the first primary, was shot before the committee met and declared the result. His name was Williamson. The question that is now troubling the official in De Soto is whether the second and third man shall run in the second primary, on whether it will be necessary to order a special election; or whether it should leave the whole matter to be settled by a hurdle race in the general election in November.

An order has been issued by the railroad commission postponing the session of August 17 till the first Monday in September.

It is stated here that Wallace McLaurin has been appointed democratic national committeeman from this State, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Jud Russell. The appointment ad interim was made by Chairman Jones of the National Committee, and the commission is said to be on its way.

Governor Longino has reappointed Hon. H. L. Muldrow, of Starkville, Chancellor.

LATE NEWS OF MISSISSIPPI.

Last Week of The Campaign Full of Interest.

This is the last full week of the state campaign which has been in progress for the last six or eight months. The primary election takes place one week from Thursday. The forces on both sides are lining up. A feature of the second primary election is going to be the part that will be played by the political clubs. More clubs have been organized in the last week than have been organized since the inception of the campaign. The only contests that are to be settled in the second primary are governor and railroad commissioner in the First and Second districts. Of course the contest for governor overshadows everything else. Both candidates will mingle with the voters in various parts of the state until Wednesday week. The returns from the primary election to be held on Thursday, Aug. 27, will come in very rapidly after the polls close. The ticket that is to be voted this time is a short one, and it is believed that the count will be finished at every polling precinct in the state by 7 or 7:30 o'clock that evening, and at the larger precincts in the cities the count will be finished by 8 o'clock. Enough returns will be received by 10 o'clock on the night of the 27th to indicate who will be the next governor of the state. Of course, there are some interior counties which will not be heard from until next day, as they are remote from the railroad and telegraph, but the majority of the counties are within easy access.

For Reduced Insurance.

The mayor and R. E. Kennington, a prominent business man of Jackson, and head of the Jones-Kennington dry goods company, are going to New York as the representatives of the city council and the business interests of Jackson to see what can be done to get a reduction of insurance rates for the city. The matter is to be fully discussed with the representatives of the big insurance companies and the gentlemen think that there will be no trouble about getting the necessary reduction. Mr. Johnson, an inspector of one of the bureaus in New York, visited the city some time ago and made a number of recommendations in regard to the fire department, the water pressure and other things which he deemed essential. A number of these recommendations have since been carried out, and the board stands ready to carry out other recommendations in order to get the reduction.

Favorable Report of Prison Farms.

Mr. Dodds, one of the traveling sergeants of the penitentiary, has just returned from a trip to the delta. He reports that the crops of the State are in fine condition. Mr. Dodds is of the opinion that the State is going to have the finest crop that it has raised in years. He says that the corn crop is unusually good. The State has raised a great many more peas than it has in years, and has also raised a lot of nice hay. If nothing untoward makes its appearance the net profits from the prison farms this year will be ahead of former years.

Prospects of Better Facilities.

The publication of the statement that the first mortgage bonds of the Natchez and Gulf Railroad have been floated, and work on the road is to be begun soon, calls attention to the fact that Hamburg is likely to have three railroads in the near future says a dispatch from that place. The last survey of the Natchez and Gulf Railroad was a short distance south of here, but the original survey passed through the corporate limits and may yet be adopted. The Pearl and Leaf river survey also runs through the corporate limits, not a great distance from the depot of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad, which already passes through the town. The building of the Natchez and Gulf Railroad will result in the building of a hotel at Wildwood Springs, which will then become a suburb of this town.

Fire Laddie Sustains Broken Rib.

While answering an alarm the wagons of Drivers Harry Fuller and Hossley collided in Vicksburg in Mulberry street. Fuller was struck by the wagon tongue and sustained a broken rib.

Crazy Kansan Angered by Music.

Winfield, Kan. — Angered by the music of a band concert, Gilbert Trigg, once a soldier in the Philippines, armed himself with a double-barreled shotgun and a revolver and attacked a crowd of 3000 persons that surrounded the band stand, killing three men, probably fatally wounding three others and injuring twenty more before he was shot by a policeman.

No Money Order Blanks.

A curious state of affairs is reported from the West Jackson station of the postoffice. This station is out of money order blanks and no money orders can be sold from there now. This station holds the record of having sold more money orders than any other station in the south, and Postmaster Edwards is very much worried because there are no blanks. Blanks were ordered a month ago by the postmaster, but owing to the fact that there has been some trouble about the new contractor starting on the blanks the department has been unable to supply the West Jackson station. There are plenty of blanks at the central office, but each station or postoffice has to have its name printed on the blanks and for this reason the blanks of the uptown office cannot be used at the West Jackson station.

Killed by Falling From a Train.

John Hall, Jr., a young man residing at Crystal Springs, boarded a northbound train. While passing from one car to another he fell under the wheels. His left arm was badly mangled and he was injured internally. He died as a result of his injuries.

Old Negro Found Dead.

An old negro named Willis Campbell, of Hinds county, was found in a dying condition on the Graveyard road near Vicksburg and died before he could be resuscitated. Coroner Marshall investigated the cause and gave a verdict of death from unknown causes.

Bishop Hendrick.

Rome.—The Rev. Thoms Hendricks, bishop of Cuba, Philippine Islands, called at the Vatican and saw the officials of the congregation of the propaganda. He also paid visits to the Cardinals Gibbons and Satoli. The bishop is accompanied by his brother, the Rev. Joseph Hendrick.

FAVORS A RELIGIOUS TRUST

So as to Provide Churches in Places They are Most Needed.

Chicago.—A "trust" in religious forces to bring about economies in social-saving after the manner of the commercial world has been advocated by the Rev. Bruce Brown, in the North Side Christian Church. "It is high time there should be a trust in religious forces and resources," he said. "Our present methods tend to multiply churches in respectable communities and to leave the slums destitute of church privileges. We build so many churches among the comparatively good people that we have no money left to preach the gospel to the poor. The millennium will never dawn on a divided church. The kingdoms of this world will not be made the kingdoms of God by any sect or schism. Our usefulness and efficiency and influence would be magnified many fold if we would cease multiplying churches where they are needed the least and use the money for building churches where they are needed the most. I am in favor of a religious trust."

Free of Yellow Fever

Laredo, Tex.—Dr. H. G. Hamilton, United States marine hospital surgeon has completed his investigation of yellow fever at Monterey, Mex., and has notified the Washington authorities that there is not one case of yellow fever there or in the surrounding towns.

Binkey Succeeds Corey.

Pittsburg.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the Carnegie Steel Company held here the resignation of W. E. Cory as president was accepted, and Mr. A. C. Binkey elected to fill the vacancy. The office of chairman of the board of directors was created and Judge James H. Reed elected.

Investigating Berlins' Tunnel.

Berlin.—The minister of public works has ordered a thorough examination of the Berlin underground system in order to determine what steps are necessary in order to avoid the possibility of accident.

Panic at Monastir.

Constantinople.—Imperial troops have occupied Krushevo, twenty-three miles north of Monastir, which was seized by the insurgents. A force of 4000 troops besieged the place and bombarded it with artillery.

Railroad Wreck in Saxony.

Zwickau, Saxony.—A passenger train was derailed between Rotherkirchen and Oberkrintz. Three persons were killed and forty were injured.

Czar Goes to Pskoff.

St. Petersburg.—The czar and czarina have left St. Petersburg to attend the army maneuvers in the town of Pskoff, 162 miles from here.

NEWS OF THE DAY TERSELY RELATED.

Things Throughout the World Told in Potted Paragraphs.

WAVES FROM THE MAGIC WIRES

Condensed and Served While Hot to Our Readers in Labor-Saving Slices.—Cream of Late Dispatches From the Four Quarters of the Globe.

Three men have been garroted in Cuba for murder.

The cruiser Chicago has reached New York from Europe.

Kentucky may offer homes to the Trappist Monks of France.

Frank B. Greer wrested the rowing championship from Titus.

There is no material change in the condition of Lord Salisbury.

The steamer Manteo was beached on the Texas coast by a storm.

Irish Lad won the champion stakes in track record time at Saratoga.

Corbett was whipped by Jeffries in the tenth round at San Francisco.

The destitution in the storm-stricken district of Jamaica is appalling.

The revolutionary movement is increasing in the village of Monastir.

Chief Justice Lore of Delaware addressed the Chataqua on lynching.

Marked indications of oil have been discovered at Cheniere au Tigre, La.

The Macedonian committee is about to issue a declaration of independence.

There are fine prospects for a rich strike of oil one mile north of Jennings, La.

The British parliament has been prorogued by King Edward until November 2.

Premier Petroff, of Bulgaria thinks the revolution will not spread beyond Monastir.

The dredgeboat Benyuard, built for the Passes, will soon be placed in commission.

A man and woman were murderously assaulted with an ax while asleep at Shreveport.

It is announced that the strike of housemiths in New York will be extended to other cities.

The inauguration of the general staff was marked by a lively row among its members.

Mr. Schwab, late of the steel trust, will organize a trust of the clothing stores of the country.

The first International Congress of Wireless Telegraphy which opened at Berlin, Aug. 4, adjourned Friday.

W. P. Brown offered on the New York exchange yesterday to take 25,000 bales of August cotton at 12.25.

Major Charles W. Hobbs will succeed Colonel Voss, as commanding officer at Jackson Barracks, New Orleans.

A passenger on the Campania collected \$50 from his mother on the Lancia at midocean by wireless telegraphy.

The department of agriculture will issue a comprehensive report of the amount of cotton on hand at the close of the year.

A United States circuit court has decided the Foraker act unconstitutional and exports from Porto Rico are dutiable.

There was a meeting among the negro Women in the Georgia penitentiary caused by the outburst over the De Cris incident.

Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge at Washington believes the Panama canal treaty will be ratified by the Colombian congress.

Miss Mary Nethyrel, a prominent young woman of Carrollton, La., was burned to death by her clothing catching fire while lighting a gas stove.

Congressman Ransdell, of Louisiana is said to favor Judge George Gray, of Delaware as the democratic nominee for president in 1904.

Sam Parks, New York walking delegate, announced that more than 500,000 men will strike in Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and other cities.

The Bulgarian government is preparing a memorandum to the powers, giving statistics of the acts of oppression by the Turkish officials in Macedonia.

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